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### **1. Purpose.**

This regulation establishes the Armed Services Graves Registration Office (ASGRO) for mobilization planning purposes and for direction of graves registration services during periods of major military operations.

### **2. Organization.**

The ASGRO will function as a part of The Adjutant General's Office, Department of the Army. A Coordinating Group will prescribe the plans and policies under which ASGRO will function after approval by the three military departments. The Coordinating Group will consist of equal representation from each of the three military departments, under the chairmanship of the Department of the Army.

### **3. Responsibilities.**

*a.* The ASGRO prepares joint plans, principles, and doctrine for the accomplishment of graves registration planning and action in support of major military operations. Plans, principles, and doctrine so developed will be jointly promulgated.

*b.* During major military operations the ASGRO will become, in addition, the office of record for all the services and the control point from which operational direction, developed in coordination with and concurred in by the appropriate departments, will be forwarded through the required channels to field activities. Direct communication between ASGRO and field activities for the purpose of securing complete, accurate, and current records is authorized.

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